



# AN CANACH



## President's Quarterly Message—Louis Russell

From the President's Desk June 2024

Dear Society Members

Greetings Clan Henderson! We are reaching the midway point in the year. I hope that everyone is enjoying the Highland Games season and can reconnect with family and friends at your regional events. Here in the Southwest, the Phoenix Highland Games are held in early March. It was a success, we signed up a few new members and enjoyed some of the first warm days of spring.

The Scholarship committee has completed its work and recommended that scholarships be awarded to 8 applicants. The 2024 Scholarships include 1 Piper, 3 Drummers and 4 Dancers. Look for a more complete resume for each on the recipients in this issue of the An Canach. Our thanks go to the Committee including Audrey Trawick, Committee Chairperson and CHS Youth Director, Graeme Dodworth, CHS Piper, Jan Burdette, past Scholarship Committee representative, and Ann Hicks, past Chair of the CHS Scholarship Committee. As anyone that has served on a committee knows it takes commitment from the volunteer to manage their daily schedule to accommodate committee meetings and to find the time to review and prioritize applicants. It is a lot of work and they have done a good job.

In addition to the 8 Scholarships, Clan Henderson Society provided a Grant to The Scottish-American Cultural Society of Ohio. Students include Pipers, Harpist, and Dancers from the US, Canada, and Scotland will be in attendance. World recognized instructors lead the classes. We are proud to support this program.

One of the goals included in our By-Laws of the Clan Henderson Society is to promote Scottish culture. The Scholarship and Grant Program is a tangible way that we fulfill that goal by helping the next generation carry on Scottish tradition. To further and expand this goal, the Advancement Committee is working to establish an endowment able to fund future scholarships. Please join me in supporting this important program. Contact Leon Hicks, CHS Past President, consider a financial contribution to the endowment;

[leonhicks365@gmail.com](mailto:leonhicks365@gmail.com).

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held in Charleston, SC, November 1-3. The Annual Board meeting will be held the Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup>. Watch your e-mail and visit the CHS website for details of these important meetings. One of the tasks we will have this year is the bi-annual voting to elect CHS officers. Contact Peggy Sanford, Chairperson of the Selection Committee, if you would like to be considered for one of these offices, [margaretsanford@me.com](mailto:margaretsanford@me.com). Also, volunteering to participate on one of the committees or accepting an appointed commission. It is a good way to participate in Clan Henderson and is a good way to expand your network of friends.

The auto renewal feature has been installed on the New Member Sign Up Form and for existing members Renew form. Please be sure to take advantage of this feature when you join or renew your existing mem-

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bership. It is a way to streamline the process to maintain your CHS membership and it reduces the monthly work required of the VP Membership. Thanks to all.

Enjoy the rest of summer!

Aye

Louis Russell  
President



Audrey Trawick  
Youth Director and Scholarship Chair.

An Canach:

Sincerest thanks to our 2024 Clan Henderson Society Scholarship committee members:

For their dedicated hours & timely reviews of the many scholarship applicants this year. Clan Henderson takes great pride in being able to help support the growing talent & interest within the Scottish arts.

Well done on a successful scholarship year!

Ann Hicks, Audrey Trawick, Graeme Dodworth, & Jan Burdette.

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## **Congratulations Clan Henderson Society Scholarship Recipients 2024!**

What a wonderful scholarship turnout! We were exceedingly happy to generously fund this years Clan Henderson Society Scottish Art applicants \$350 each. To help fund & cultivate their talents as pipers, drummers, & Scottish highland dancers.

Congratulations to:

Aiden Henderson, Piper grade 4  
Beret Dernbach, Premier Highland dancer  
Brynn Brown, Premier Highland dancer  
Lilly Trimble, Premier Highland dancer  
Olivia Bishop, Novice Highland dancer

Queen City Pipes & Drums:

Charles Summerrow, Drummer grade 5  
Gus Schnee, Drummer grade 3  
Knox Hinkson, Drummer grade 3

Clan Henderson Society is honored to be able to grant \$400 to Doug Henderson in support of the Ohio Scottish Arts School cultural program. The growth of this program continues to support piping, drumming, dancing, harp & fiddle.

The scholarship committee would like to personally thank each & every Clan Henderson Society member for supporting the promotion & expansion of the Scottish Arts.

Whether by your donations or volunteer contributions, your efforts continue to support the growth, talent, & dedication of our scholarship recipients yearly. Thank you to the members for all of your generosity, contributions, & efforts to keep our Scottish heritage & it's communities thriving.

Congratulations once again!!!

Photo 1: Brynn Brown & Lilly Trimble.

Photo 2: Olivia Bishop

Photo 3: Queens City Pipes & Drums

Photo 4: Aiden Henderson

Photo 5: Beret Dernbach

no photo submitted



**The Savannah Highland Games** is where all of the work for the year either shows or disappoints. Savannah is the qualifying competition so there is so much tension in the air between everyone. This year was my chance to place in the top three and I prayed that I would display my hard work on the stage. After I finished my first dance, I was excited for more. In between my dances Clan Henderson stopped by and took their time to watch and be there for me. They made my dance day and put a smile on my face.

I qualified 3rd overall to compete at nationals in Boston and it was such a relief. Afterwards, I instantly knew I needed to stop by Clan Henderson to tell them the good news. They were so proud of me, and I always look forward to stopping by their tent after every competition. I appreciate all the support Clan Henderson has given me over the years.



Love, Brynn Brown



**This is Lilly Trimble and her Trophy at the Southeast Region Championships.**

**Thank you  
Mary Lane**



# Clan Henderson South Pacific Regional



**Christian Henderson** South Pacific Regional Commissioner / CA Bodyguard, Clan Henderson Society  
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Las Vegas Highland Games April 13-14 2024 The Las Vegas Highland Games were held in North Las Vegas at Craig Ranch park , The Hendersons participated in Athletics , solo piping , band competitions and in Celtic music on the main stage . It has been several years since Clan Henderson has had a Clan tent at these events and I went all in with new displays and tents . The weather had other plans for the weekend with wind gusts from 10-25 with blasts up-to 50 mph , Friday we were hit by a dust devil which destroyed several conveners tents and we lost both tents . Saturday morning we managed to piece together 1 tent but winds again rose later in afternoon ending or efforts for the weekend . With support from my family who traveled from Phoenix and Minneapolis I was able to have a walk about to watch Cameron Henry compete in Heavy Athletics, Watch CJ Henderson and the Wicked Tinkers play on Main Stage and Cheer on Aiden and Danielle Henderson in Pipe band competitions where they won every award possible at their grade level . Cameron Henry has been doing athletics for a few years now and has been a real force in his Class in the South Pacific , but his biggest win he announced to me was his engagement to Rebecca Case ! Welcome to the Clan Rebecca we looked forwarded to seeing you in Henderson Tartan . Christian Henderson South Pacific Regional Commissioner



The Henderson's were at the Colorado Tartan Day, 13 - 14 April, at the Boulder Fairgrounds near Longmont, CO. It was an honor for me to induct Robert Henderson (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) as the Head of the Colorado State Bodyguard and accept Greg Henderson's (far right) request to fill in as an auxiliary member. Thanks to all who came by the tent on such a beautiful weekend.



**Please visit the Southwest Region Clan Henderson Society tent at these events coming up:**







*We have an extraordinary festival planned*

*We look forward to seeing you..*

**September 6-8, 2024**



## THE HIGHLANDER TRAWICK SCHOOL OF DANCE

Scholarship Update June 15, 2023

# Hear ye, Hear ye, Hear ye!



## Henderson Cousins

### You are put on Notice!

### Mark Your Calendar

The **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** (AGM)  
of the Clan Henderson Society

## Fri and Sat, Nov 1 & 2, 2024.

At The Charleston SC Highland Games  
Riverfront Park, Charleston SC

Optional stay on Sunday  
\*Kirkin of the Tartan  
\*Various tourist events  
\*casual Henderson Bruch

### More details to follow.

Questions can be directed to Mary Lane Henderson  
[marylanehenderson1@gmail.com](mailto:marylanehenderson1@gmail.com)



## Nominations 2024 Clan Henderson Officers

The following names will be placed in nomination as Officers of the Clan Henderson Society for a two-year term at the Annual General Meeting in Charleston South Carolina. The meeting will be held the first weekend in November 2024 and the two-year (2) term will begin January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2026.

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| President           | Louis Russell       |
| VP Operations       | Mark Henderson      |
| VP Members          | Suzanne Emerson     |
| VP General Council  | Vince Henderson, II |
| Treasurer           | Carol Martin        |
| Recording Secretary | Sue Hoffman         |
| VP Genealogy/DNA    | Vacant              |

Thank you  
Peggy Sanford





The **Ormond Beach Celtic Festival** sounds like such a vibrant and delightful event! With twelve clans gathering, it must be a fantastic opportunity for people to connect with their heritage and celebrate Scottish culture right in the heart of Florida. The camaraderie and sense of community fostered by events like this are truly special, offering a chance for people to renew old friendships and forge new ones.

**Located just north of Daytona, Ormond Beach** provides a picturesque backdrop for such festivities, with its coastal charm adding an extra layer of magic to the experience. You can imagine the lively music, colorful kilts, and delicious food creating an atmosphere of joy and celebration.

Events like the Ormond Beach Celtic Festival are not only a celebration of Scottish heritage but also a celebration of diversity and unity, as people from all walks of life come together to enjoy the festivities and appreciate each other's cultures. It's heartwarming to hear about such gatherings that promote friendship, fellowship, and cultural exchange.



# 2024 LOCH NORMAN HIGHLAND GAMES

Suzanne Keifer

The 30<sup>th</sup> Loch Norman Highland Games are in the books. What should have been a banner year ended on a washout Sunday. Fortunately, Saturday's weather brought out record crowds so, hopefully, that made up for the lack of attendance on Sunday. There is so much to do and see at these Games – awesome athletics, solo and pipe band competitions, Highland dancing competition, country dancing, musical entertainment, whiskey tasting, historical encampments and teaching. It was really a shame about the weather Sunday.

Clan Henderson had an excellent turnout (as usual) on Saturday, with more than 30 families signing the guest book. (I'm sure there were more...) There was a wonderful contingent of bodyguard and an instructional video regarding line up and protocols was taken to be posted to the website at a later date.

The traditional kilt christening ceremony had a few new kilts and they were marched around the field by Loch Norman Pipe Band.

There was a bit of excitement later in the day – during the Sheep Dog demonstrations, the ducks decided they had had enough of being corralled and took off on their own, in different directions! I think it was a planned escape...It took the collies a while to get them rounded back up and I'm sure the ducks will suffer some "time out" in their pen!





## More Pictures from 2024 Loch Norman Highland Games



## Youth News

Hi Everyone!

Brynn and Lilly worked really hard to try to secure their spots at Nationals. It is no easy feat



with the Southeast Region being the largest region in the U.S..

Brynn placed in the top three and will be representing the Southeast Region at Nationals aka USIR. Not only will she compete at Nationals against other girls the same age as her from the five other regions in the USA, but she will also compete in the two other competitions offered. The National Championship competition is open to any dancer around the world as is the Premiership competition.

We appreciate Clan Henderson's convenors and members who seek us out under the dance tents because y'all provide emotional support in the way of hugs and offering good luck support at each of the competitions !! The girls are so lucky to have their Clan Family show up time and time again to provide them with that extra boost of confidence that can only come from a family that cares for them! Thank you!!!!

Next up for Brynn is the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, the Ohio Scottish Dance Camp and then Nationals! Then mamma gets to take a break in August for one month before the crazy dance year starts all over again!

Michelle Brown

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A membership card for the Clan Henderson Society, Inc. The card features a crest on the left with a shield, a crown, and a banner. To the right of the crest is the text: "Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson", "Alistair D. Henderson of Fordell", "PO Box 3070 Stafford DC", "QLD 4053 Australia", and "chief@fordell.email". Below this is a section for the "Counsellor" with a photo of C. Fred Sanford, "FSA Scot", "520 Dogwood Road", "Statesville, NC 28677", "704-878-6094", and "cfsnfrd@gmail.com". To the right of the counsellor is a photo of Dave Henderson, "PE, FSA Scot", "1013 Traders Trail", "Wake Forest, NC 27587", "919-556-8345", and "kiltedsgtmaj@gmail.com". Below the counsellor is a section for the "Taniist" with a photo of Iain M. Henderson, "Younger of Fordell", "Brisbane, Australia". At the bottom left is the logo for the "COUNCIL OF SCOTTISH CLANS AND ASSOCIATIONS, INC.". At the bottom right is the text: "Clan Henderson Society, Inc., is a member of the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc."





## 2024 Clan Henderson Society AGM

Nov. 1&2, 2024

Charleston Scottish Games

Historic Charleston SC

Host Hotel is Hampton Inn - Daniel Island, Charleston, SC

Host Hotel Booking Link below

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=CHSDIHX&groupCode=CHHCSG&arrivaldate=2024-11-01&departuredate=2024-11-03&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

The Clan Henderson members and I in the Southeast invite you to come down for this year's AGM. Fun, Food, Music, Ceilidhs, Scottish Games, Massed Bands, Highland Dance Competition and Clan Henderson Bodyguards lead Walks, the list goes on. All with a Sea Breeze by the Cooper River.

Our President Louis Russell will lead us in updating Clan Henderson Business and welcome all to join in.

If you are interested in touring Charleston while there, I will be there before and after the AGM Weekend to help along with other members in the area.

Some attractions are:

Carriage Guided Tour

Carriage Haunted Tour

Straw Market Shopping

Patriots Point

The Battery

Sullivan's Is. Revolutionary Fort Moultrie

Fort Sumter Civil War Fort

Golf Courses

Folly Beach

Plantations Tours:

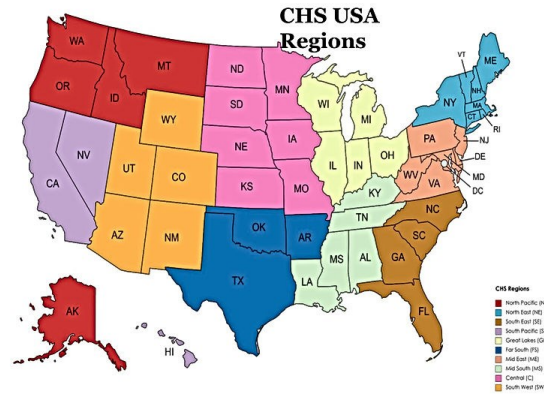
Charleston Tea Plantation

Boone Hall Plantation

Magnolia Plantation

More details to come!





## Upcoming Games in the Southeast

June 8&9 - Blairsville Highland Games - Blairsville, Ga. Harry and Suzanne Heifer are convening

Jul 11-14 - Grandfather Mtn. Highland Games - Linville, NC. Mary Lane Henderson is convening

Sept. 28 North Georgia Highland Games - Clayton Ga. Alan Henderson is convening

Oct. 4-6 Scotland Co. Highland Games - Laurinburg, NC, Kyle Henderson is convening

Oct. 19 - Crystal Coast Highland Games - Beaufort, NC. Bill and Beth Henderson are convening

Oct. 18-20 Stone Mtn Highland Games - Stone Mtn. Ga - Harry and Suzanne Heifer are convening

Nov. 1-2 Charleston Scottish Games and AGM -Charleston SC - Mary Lane Henderson is convening

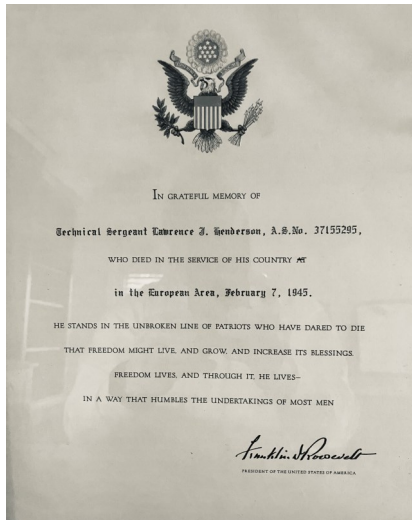
# *Flowers of the Forest*



No Information was submitted for this section.  
Please keep our departed members in your  
thoughts.

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# A MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE OF MY UNCLE LAWRENCE HENDERSON WHO GAVE ALL FOR OUR NATION







*Welcome New Clan Henderson  
Society Members*

**Suzanne Henderson Emerson, Vice President of Members Announces the new Members for this issue of An Canach.**

| Region        | Member # | Last Name     | First Name  | City               | State/Prov | Country   |
|---------------|----------|---------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| South East    | 5453     | HENDERSON     | James       | Lakeland           | FL         | USA       |
| South East    | 5454     | KRENZER       | Tressa      | Clemmons           | NC         | USA       |
| South Pacific | 5455     | THOMAS        | Amy         | North Las Vegas    | NV         | USA       |
| South East    | 5456     | FOUNTAIN      | Graham      | Crestview          | FL         | USA       |
| Mid East      | 5457     | HENDERSON III | Alexander   | Lancaster          | PA         | USA       |
| Mid East      | 5458     | HENDERSON IV  | Alexander   | Philadelphia       | PA         | USA       |
| North East    | 5459     | WARREN        | Gail        | New York           | NY         | USA       |
| South East    | 5460     | HENDERSON     | Tyler       | Sandy Springs      | GA         | USA       |
| South West    | 5461     | CLARK         | Deborah     | Mesa               | AZ         | USA       |
| Oceania       | 5462     | HENDERSON     | Alex        | Edithvale          | VIC        | AUSTRALIA |
| South Pacific | 5463     | DEELO         | Brianna     | Los Angeles        | CA         | USA       |
| Mid South     | 5464     | SETTERS       | Philip      | Louisville         | KY         | USA       |
| South West    | 5465     | JARAMILLO     | Iain        | Albuquerque        | NM         | USA       |
| Oceania       | 5466     | HENDERSON     | Jack Thomas | Croydon            | VIC        | AUSTRALIA |
| South East    | 5467     | HENDERSON     | Micah       | Lynn Haven         | FL         | USA       |
| North East    | 5468     | HENDERSON     | Max         | Huntington Station | NY         | USA       |
| South East    | 5469     | BECK          | Leslie      | Jacksonville       | FL         | USA       |
| South Pacific | 5470     | REILLY        | Hannah      | Clovis             | CA         | USA       |
| Mid South     | 5471     | HENDERSON     | James       | Knoxville          | TN         | USA       |
| South Pacific | 5472     | FARFAN        | Beverly     | Elko               | NV         | USA       |
| South East    | 5473     | HOLMES        | Kelly       | Savannah           | GA         | USA       |

## Congratulations Longevity Recognition Pin Recipients!

| Region        | Member # | Last Name | First Name       | City       | State / Prov | Country | Year Pin |
|---------------|----------|-----------|------------------|------------|--------------|---------|----------|
| Mid East      | 54       | LOFTIN    | Rex K.           | Galax      | VA           | USA     | 25       |
| South West    | 2450     | CARLSON   | Marjorie C.      | Aspen      | CO           | USA     | 25       |
| North East    | 2456     | HENDERSON | William          | Wantagh    | NY           | USA     | 25       |
| South West    | 3599     | DeYOUNG   | Kathryn M.       | Parker     | CO           | USA     | 15       |
| Mid South     | 3654     | HOH       | Sheila Renee     | Shreveport | LA           | USA     | 15       |
| Canada        | 4846     | SUTTIE    | Margaret         | Westmount  | QC           | CAN     | 5        |
| South Pacific | 4863     | HENDERSON | Gary             | Arbuckle   | CA           | USA     | 5        |
| North East    | 4920     | CASS      | Donald Henderson | Geneva     | NY           | USA     | 5        |



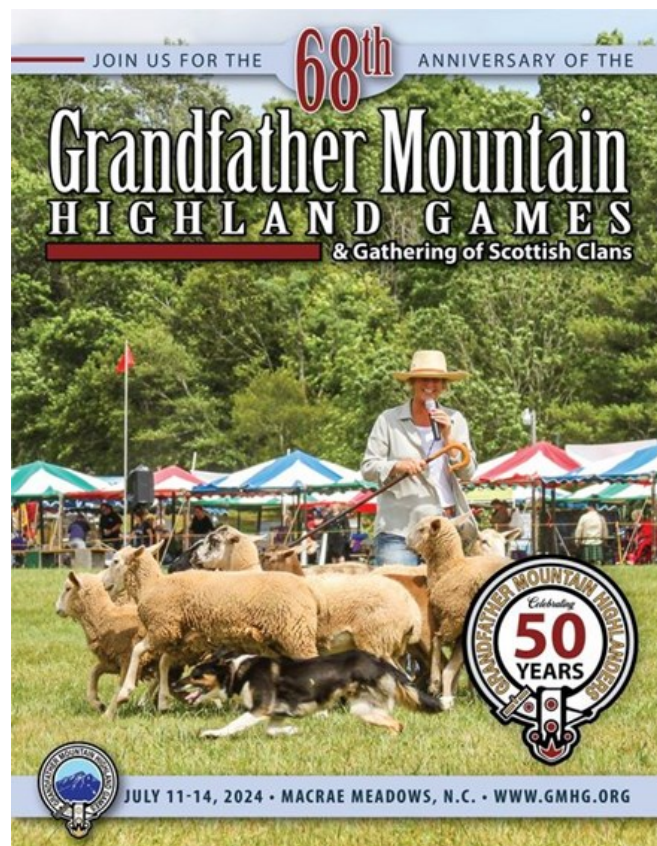


Christian Henderson

Always a good time at Scottish Fest , especially with my Lamont friends. Hendersons and Lamonts have the same storied past with the Campbell's. Costa



Mesa California over the Memorial Day Weekend.





Laura Brueggen German

Clan Henderson Far Clan Henderson - Far South Region at The Sterling Classic and Scottish Festival in Yukon OK this past weekend (June 1-2 2024).



Mary Lane Henderson

Clan Henderson in the Great Scot Parade Memorial Day Weekend in Greenville, SC. Fran White Kalk, Rick Kalk, and Ed Hendricks.



## **AN CANACH DEADLINES FOR 2024**

**Publish by:**                      **Deadline to Editor**  
                    **September 1**                      **August 15**

**December 1**                      **November 15**

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and JPEG for pictures. PDFs are also acceptable.**

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**At any time.**

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you will need and I will plan accordingly.**

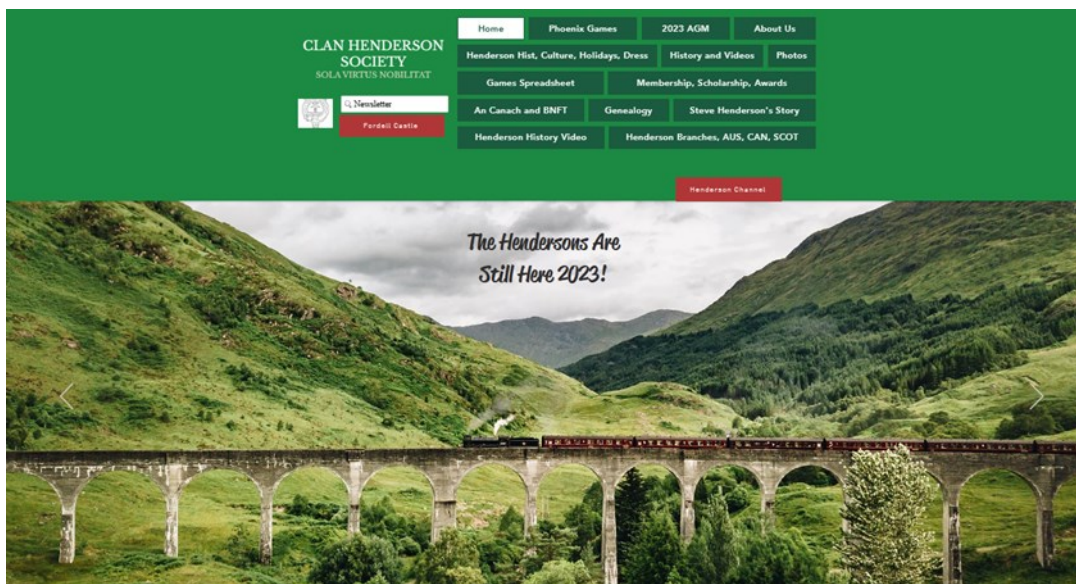
**Thanks to all Aye,  
Lawrence Henderson, An Canach Editor**

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/clanhendersonsociety/permalink/10160474829769654/?mibextid=Nif5oz>



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